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SUBJECT: OUTER SPACE LEGAL: REGISTRATION TREATY

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1. FRENCH REP TOLD US REP TUESDAY EVENING PARIS HAD IN-STRUCTURED HIM TO LEAVE DRAFT REGISTRATION TREATY AS IT STANDS APPROVED IN PRELIMINARY WAY BY THE WORKING GROUP, RATHER THAN TO GO ALONG WITH THE FURTHER STEP OF HAVING THE TEXT APPROVED BY THE LEGAL SUBCOMMITTEE (AND FORWARDED TO THE PARENT OUTER SPACE COMMITTEE AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR ADOPTION). CHARVET SAID GOF WANTS TIME FOR STUDY AND REFLECTION ESPECIALLY ON PART FRENCH INSISTENCE ON MARKING. HE THOUGHT THAT NOW THAT THE US HAS INTERESTED FRENCH MILITARY IN THE MATTER, PARIS ' POSITION MIGHT CHANGE; IF THE FRENCH REVIEW WERE PROMPT AND WERE TO LEAD TO A CHANGE, FRANCE WOULD BE AGREEABLE TO THE OUTER SPACE COMMITTEE COMPLETING THE REGISTRATION TREATY AT ITS 25 JUNE-6 JULY SESSION.

2. ACCORDINGLY WE WILL NOT AT THIS STAGE PUBLICLY INDICATE ANY READINESS TO ACCEPT A REVIEW CLAUSE . FRENCH AND CANADIAN DELS UNDERSTAND THAT THE US WILL BE WILLING TO CLOSE OFF AN OTHERWISE SATISFACTORY REGISTRATION TREATY, I. E. A TEXT ON LINES THYS FAR AGREED AND NOT CONFIDENTIAL

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CONTAINING ANYTHING ON MARKING, BY ACCEPTING REVIEW CLAUSE.

CANADIAN REP MILLER HAS TOLD BOTH FOR MIDDLE EAST AND NOTES SOVIET WITHDRAWAL

FROM EGYPT FURTHER REDUCES DANGER US- USSR CONFLICT; (G) ENDS WITH DISCUSSION TERRORISM, CONCLUDING, WHATEVER ROOTS OF TERRORISM, NO RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT CAN PERMIT ITS POLICIES TO BE INFLUENCED BY ACTS INTERNATIONAL OUTLAWS.

2. FOLLOWING IS TEXT ON ISRAEL CONTAINED IN SECRETARY' S ANNUAL FOREIGN POLICY REPORT:

QUOTE THE TRADITIONALLY CLOSE U. S. RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL CONTINUED THROUGHOUT 1972, IN THE COURSE OF WHICH THE UNITED STATES RESUMED GRANT SUPPORT ASSISTANCE TO ISRAEL, WITH \$50 MILLION GOING TO FINANCE A COMMODITY IMPORT PROGRAM. GOODS IMPORTED UNDER THIS PROGRAM WERE SOLD IN ISRAEL AND THE PROCEEDS IN ISRAELI POUNDS WERE APPLIED TO GENERAL SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL BUDGET. TO HELP THE GOVERNMENT MEET THE HIGH COST OF MAINTAINING THE COUNTRY' S DEFENSE, THE UNITED STATES ONCE AGAIN EXTENDED TO ISRAEL SUBSTANTIAL CREDITS ON CONCESSIONAL TERMS UNDER THE FOREIGN MILITARY SALES PROGRAM. ISRAELI PURCHASES UNDER THIS PROGRAM HELPED MAINTAIN THE MILITARY BALANCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, THEREBY REDUCING THE DANGER OF RENEWED CONFLICT BETWEEN THE PROTAGONISTS.

QUOTE SALES OF EXCESS AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES TO ISRAEL UNDER TITLE I OF PUBLIC LAW 480 AMOUNTED TO \$54.4 MILLION IN 1972. IN OCTOBER WE SIGNED A NEW AGREEMENT UNDER WHICH ISRAEL WILL PURCHASE \$62.5 MILLION IN COMMODITIES FROM THE UNITED STATES IN 1973. THE EXPORT- IMPORT BANK HAS ALSO CONTINUED TO FURNISH SIGNIFICANT CREDIT FACILITIES AND GUARANTEES TO FINANCE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN ISRAEL. THIS ASSISTANCE WAS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN ASSURING ISRAEL' S CONTINUING HIGH RATE OF ECONOMIC GROWTH. THE COUNTRY EXPERIENCED ITS FIFTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR OF ECONOMIC BOOM WITH FULL EMPLOYMENT AND A SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN GOLD AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVES.

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QUOTE THE UNITED STATES AND ISRAEL SIGNED AN AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH A BINATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION IN ISRAEL, WITH AN ENDOWMENT EQUIVALENT TO \$60 MILLION. THE FOUNDATION WAS ESTABLISHED TO SUPPORT SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL RESEARCH FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES. THE RESULTS OF RESEARCH CARRIED ON UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE FOUNDATION WILL BE AVAILABLE TO SCIENTISTS AND OTHER QUALIFIED PERSONNEL IN BOTH COUNTRIES WITHOUT RESTRICTION. END QUOTE ROGERS

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